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In re Patent Application of ) **Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
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Sir:

Prior to continued examination and in response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: